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Ms. Amy Greene
18 Commerce Street Plaza
Flemington, NJ 08822-1743

RE: Authorization for Freshwater Wetlands Statewide General Permit, Water Quality Certification and Waiver of Transition Area for Access
File No.: 1213-00-0006.1
Applicant: New Jersey Department of Transportation
Block: N/A; Lot: N/A
Monroe Township, Middlesex County

Dear Ms. Greene:

The Land Use Regulation Program has reviewed the referenced application for a Statewide General Permit authorization pursuant to the requirements of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:7A. The proposed activity is authorized by Statewide General Permit No. 2, which allows the discharge of material for backfill or bedding of utility lines, provided there is no change in preconstruction elevations or bottom contours. This letter of authorization to conduct a regulated activity in a wetland or open water includes a Water Quality Certificate for these activities.

Limit of Authorized Disturbance

Based on plans entitled "New Jersey Department of Transportation Environmental Plan Texas Road Bridge Over Matchaponix Brook," dated January 6, 2000, unrevised and prepared by Michael G. Wright, P.E., the authorized activity involves the disturbance of 0.063 of an acre of wetlands and associated transition area for the relocation of a gas pipeline south of the proposed bridge. Any additional disturbance of freshwater wetlands, State open waters or transition area shall be considered a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act unless the activity is exempt or a permit is obtained prior to the start of the disturbance from the Land Use Regulation Program.

Permit Conditions

The activities allowed by this authorization shall comply with the following conditions. Failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A. 13:9B-1 et seq.).

General conditions

1. All fill and other earth work on the lands encompassed within this permit authorization shall be stabilized in accordance with "Standards for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey" to prevent eroded soil from entering adjacent waterways or wetlands at any time during and subsequent to construction.
2. This permit is revocable, or subject to modification or change at any time, when in judgement of the Department of Environmental Protection of the State of New Jersey, such revocation, modification or change shall be necessary.
3. The issuance of this permit shall not be deemed to affect in any way other actions by the Department on any future application.
4. The activities shown by plans and/or other engineering data, which are this day approved, subject to the conditions herewith established, shall be constructed and/or executed in conformity with such plans and/or engineering data and the said conditions.
5. No change in plans or specifications shall be made except with the prior written permission of the Department.
6. The granting of this authorization shall not be construed to affect the title or ownership of the property, and shall not make the Department or the State a party in any suit or question of ownership of the property.
7. This authorization is not valid and no work shall be undertaken until such time as all other required approvals and permits have been obtained.
8. A copy of this authorization shall be kept at the work site and shall be exhibited upon request of any person.

Waiver of Transition Area

The Land Use Regulation Program has determined that the wetlands affected by this permit authorization are of intermediate resource value and the standard transition area or buffer required adjacent to these wetlands is 50 feet. This classification may affect the requirements for an Individual Wetlands Permit and Open Water Fill Permits (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-3), the types of Statewide General Permits available for the wetlands portion of this property (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-9) and the modification available through the transition area waiver (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-7). Please refer to the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A.13:9B-1 et seq.) and implementing rules for additional information.

Any additional prohibited activities conducted within the standard transition area on-site shall require a separate transition area waiver from the Program. Prohibited activities within a transition area are defined at N.J.A.C. 7:7A-6.2(a).

This authorization for a Statewide General Permit is valid for a term not to exceed five years from the date of this letter. If the term of the authorization exceeds the expiration date of the general permit issued by rule, and the permit upon which the authorization is based is modified by rule to include more stringent

Authorization for Statewide General Permit

standards or conditions, or is not reissued, the applicant must comply with the requirements of the new regulations by applying for a new GP authorization or an Individual permit.

The permittee shall allow an authorized Program representative the right to inspect the construction site. The permittee will notify, in writing, Coastal and Land Use Enforcement at 401 East State Street, 4th Floor, P.O. Box 422, Trenton, NJ 08625 at least 7 days prior to commencement of work authorized by this letter.

Appeal of Decision

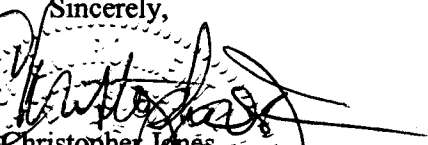
In accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:7A-12.7, any person who is aggrieved by this decision may request a hearing within 30 days of the decision date by writing to:

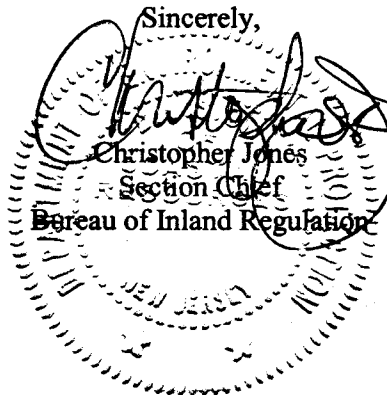
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This request must include a completed copy of the Administrative Hearing Request Checklist.

If you have any questions regarding this authorization, please Kim Kessler of our staff at (609) 633-6754. Please reference the above file number.

Sincerely,


Christopher Jones
Section Chief
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c: Monroe Township Clerk
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RE: Authorization for Freshwater Wetlands Statewide General Permit, Water Quality Certification and Waiver of Transition Area for Access
File No.: 1213-00-0006.2
Applicant: New Jersey Department of Transportation
Block: N/A; Lot: N/A
Monroe Township, Middlesex County

Dear Ms. Greene:

The Land Use Regulation Program has reviewed the referenced application for a Statewide General Permit authorization pursuant to the requirements of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:7A. The proposed activity is authorized by Statewide General Permit No. 10, which allows minor road crossing fills and expansion of existing road crossing fills for crossing a freshwater wetland or State open water. This letter of authorization to conduct a regulated activity in a wetland or open water includes a Water Quality Certificate for these activities.

Limit of Authorized Disturbance

Based on plans entitled "New Jersey Department of Transportation Environmental Plan Texas Road Bridge Over Matchaponix Brook," dated January 6, 2000, unrevised and prepared by Michael G. Wright, P.E., the authorized activity involves the disturbance of 0.226 of an acre of wetlands and associated transition area for the improvements and expansion of an existing road crossing. Any additional disturbance of freshwater wetlands, State open waters or transition area shall be considered a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act unless the activity is exempt or a permit is obtained prior to the start of the disturbance from the Land Use Regulation Program.

Permit Conditions

The activities allowed by this authorization shall comply with the following conditions. Failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute a violation of the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A. 13:9B-1 et seq.).

Authorization for Statewide General Permit

General conditions

1. All fill and other earth work on the lands encompassed within this permit authorization shall be stabilized in accordance with "Standards for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey" to prevent eroded soil from entering adjacent waterways or wetlands at any time during and subsequent to construction.
2. This permit is revocable, or subject to modification or change at any time, when in judgement of the Department of Environmental Protection of the State of New Jersey, such revocation, modification or change shall be necessary.
3. The issuance of this permit shall not be deemed to affect in any way other actions by the Department on any future application.
4. The activities shown by plans and/or other engineering data, which are this day approved, subject to the conditions herewith established, shall be constructed and/or executed in conformity with such plans and/or engineering data and the said conditions.
5. No change in plans or specifications shall be made except with the prior written permission of the Department.
6. The granting of this authorization shall not be construed to affect the title or ownership of the property, and shall not make the Department or the State a party in any suit or question of ownership of the property.
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The Land Use Regulation Program has determined that the wetlands affected by this permit authorization are of intermediate resource value and the standard transition area or buffer required adjacent to these wetlands is 50 feet. This classification may affect the requirements for an Individual Wetlands Permit and Open Water Fill Permits (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-3), the types of Statewide General Permits available for the wetlands portion of this property (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-9) and the modification available through the transition area waiver (see N.J.A.C. 7:7A-7). Please refer to the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act (N.J.S.A.13:9B-1 et seq.) and implementing rules for additional information.

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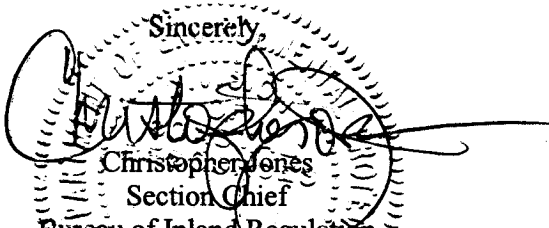
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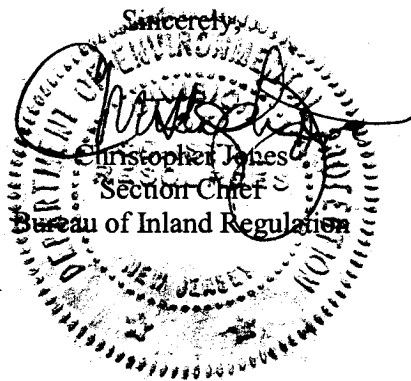
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